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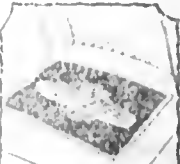

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LETTERS FROM RURAL DISTRICTS

LOWMANVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Pack and daughter took dinner with Mrs. Lyons Sunday.

Mrs. Albia Griffith and little son of 6 are visiting home folks this week. Angie and Opal Dehord have returned home on a visit where they have been for the past week.

Uncle Joe Borders took dinner with Mrs. Borders Dehord Saturday.

Henry Griffith returned home from trip where he has been employed.

Frank Miller of Mounds Branch is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Griffith Friday and Saturday.

Uncle Joe Borders was the Saturday night guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lyons.

Lys Hannah has returned home from his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Young of Patrick are visiting home folks.

Mrs. Cleve Griffith was visiting Mrs. Leola Dehord Saturday.

Mrs. Clara Chandler who has been visiting her daughter at Betty Layne has returned home.

Orla Dehord visited Mr. and Mrs. Rose Dehord Saturday.

Richard Dehord was the Saturday night guest of Vern Hatfield.

Rev. Willie Skaggs preached here Sunday.

Ervin Griffith took dinner with his daughter, Mrs. John Young.

Mrs. Cleve Griffith visited Mrs. Clara Tulliver Thursday.

Orla Dehord was the overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clara Young Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Dehord and Mrs. Leola Edwards were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Griffith Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Griffith who has been sick for some time is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mattie Skaggs.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hatfield visited Mr. and Mrs. John Young Wednesday.

Angie Dehord was the Sunday night guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mattie Skaggs.

Misses Beulah Florence and John Griffith were the overnight guests of Misses Gladys and Clara Hatfield Saturday.

Mrs. Anita Brown was the Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leola Hatfield.

Prayer meeting was largely attended at Joe Young's Sunday night.

DRY RIDGE

Sunday School is progressing nicely with Mrs. Elza Bell Spud.

Miss Clara Moore was the Sunday afternoon guest of Misses Sila Carter and Eliza Burton.

Miss Mary J. White was the dinner guest of Misses Beulah Jordan Sunday.

Born, Dec. 11th to Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Hall, a fine boy.

Sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Cox Carter of Elton, also the little girl of W. S. Burton.

Mrs. Emeline Berry is some better.

Home and Sylvester Hall made a business trip to Louisa Saturday.

Ernie Roberts and Bob Jordan were calling on Uncle Byron Sunday.

Fred Hunt returned home Tuesday from Columbia where he had been visiting relatives.

Ernie Roberts and Roseberry passed through here enroute to Plains Saturday.

Little Miss Carmen Hall was calling on her cousin, Cynthia Melita Hall Saturday.

Miss Dorothy Burton and two brothers, Carl and Willie, were calling on their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elza Hall Monday night.

Sila Carter was calling on her cousin, Mrs. W. H. Kipper, recently.

Old Santa Claus' sleigh bells will be heard to wake the children up as we believe there will not be any snow and the ground is frozen so rough.

Mrs. Hazel Burton and daughter Laelle were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Burton last night.

Sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Sam Pritch.

Miss Ella Pritchard and brothers Wm. and Chas. passed through here Monday enroute to Adams.

Homer Hall was calling on Mason Prince Sunday.

Miss Dorothy and Carl Burton called on Mrs. Leola Carter Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Hall was a business caller at Adams Monday.

W. H. Burton made a trip to Louisa Tuesday.

Church at this place Saturday night and Sunday morning by Rev. Burgess. Everybody cordially invited to come. Let us hear from those "Kentucky bums" of South Columbus again soon.

FALLSBURG

Miss Nellie Austin and Vado (Kinegar) and Miss Emma Henson were the Sunday evening guests of Mrs. Margaret Cochran.

Miss Martha Rickman of Horseford was shopping at this place Friday.

H. B. Cochran was a business caller in Louisa Saturday.

Eugene Queen and wife were down the river visitors last Saturday.

Uncle Zach Welch has returned to Fallsburg to live. We all welcome him back into our midst as he is a good old man.

Mrs. Margaret Howe Cochran and little daughter were calling on Mrs. Nellie Austin Tuesday.

Miss Essie Mann who has been attending school at Louisa will home folks a visit Saturday and Sunday.

A. STUBBS.

CADMUS

Rev. Hutchinson failed to fill his appointment at this place Sunday.

Several from this place expect to attend the Christmas entertainment at Fallsburg Sunday night.

Mrs. Ed. Wooten and Miss Corn Wooten of Huletto were the Saturday night and Sunday guests of the Misses Ekers.

Rumor says wedding bells will ring at this place soon.

Miss Karen Diamond spent Sunday night with Miss Cassie Chadwick.

Miss Louisa Shortridge spent last Tuesday night with Miss Anna Githens.

Miss Ollie Ekers who has been visiting her brother at Prestonsburg has returned home.

Mrs. G. B. McEllosson was calling on Mrs. Dewitt Diamond Sunday.

Mrs. George Shortridge was shopping at Cadmus last week.

KAVANAUGH

Miss Lillian Nalley was calling on Mr. and Mrs. Jim Huletto Sunday.

Miss Velma Dixon who has been visiting her brother at Collettsburg has returned home.

Hermon Lakus who has been visiting his mother in Hinton, has returned home.

Muriel Dixon, Lawrence Corwell and Walter and Robert Turman were calling on George Shannon Saturday.

Mrs. Rose Wright and small daughter were shopping in Hinton last Saturday.

Miss Hazel Lakus was shopping in Ashland Friday.

Misses Eunice and Velma Dixon and Corrie Lakus were shopping in Buchanan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bryant were calling on the former's mother at Zella Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Huletto has been visiting her father who is ill.

Mrs. Lillian Nalley was calling on Mrs. Corrie Lakus last week.

There was a very nice celebration at our school Friday evening. The visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walter and Howard Turman, Lawrence Corwell and Leo Hall. All reported a nice time.

They heard the pastor of our church, preached a very interesting sermon at this place Sunday night.

Sam Turman was calling on Mr. Mary Jackson Sunday.

Miss Helen Davis was calling on Mr. and Mrs. George Shannon Sunday.

Wedding bells are expected to ring here soon.

Hermon Nalley will leave for A. B. and the day after Christmas.

Mrs. Thekla Pritchard spent the week end with home folks at East Fork.

Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Nalley were shopping at Buchanan Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Young who have been very ill is improving.

The Father attended Sunday School at Buchanan Sunday.

Mrs. Patrice Lakus was shopping in A. B. Monday.

We wish to call a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

LOM AND BILL.

ZELDA

We have a good Sunday School, church and good people, and are glad to say a good community which makes an ideal place to live.

The millinery business, operated by Miss and James H. of Louisa, has prospered by Robert and Sila Burton. They are running every day. They are having about two cars a week. They are planning to erect a second house in the near future for the accommodation of their customers.

Paul F. Brown and Frank Brown have accepted positions on the clerical force of the American Building Mills Co. and will leave about Jan. 1st for Zellaville. They are worthy young men and we wish them much success in their new position.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, of near W. Va., will spend Christmas here. Mr. Thompson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Fagan of this place.

Warren Rickman of Kenova, W. Va. was here Sunday. Mr. Rickman holds a responsible position with the Norfolk & Western Railroad Company.

Clyde Spears of Parkerburg, W. Va. is visiting his mother, Mr. Salts, at this place.

Add Rickman, Frank Brown and Junior Spears were the guests of Paul and James H. of Louisa Sunday.

The quartet was present at church Sunday evening and rendered some fine selections. They are excellent singers and we would be glad to have them sing again.

F. H. Corbitt, our local minister, had a very interesting service at church at this place Sunday evening.

Mrs. Jack Turman of Buchanan was the guest of her brother Zach Bellamy Thursday and Friday.

Miss Hazel and Alice Rickman were visiting on friends in Buchanan Saturday.

The Buchanan Chapel Sunday School will give an entertainment and treat Sunday, Dec. 21st. A nice time is anticipated.

We wish the NEWS a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

THE VILLAGE CITIZEN.

Frequent Headaches

"I suffered with chronic constipation that would bring on very severe headaches," says Mrs. Stephen H. Kincer, of R. F. D. 1, Cripple Creek, Va. "I tried different medicines and did not get relief. The headaches became very frequent."

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Impulse Dodd's Christmas

by F. H. Sweet

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IMPULSE Dodd, "Impulse Dodd," rattled, "Wasn't I Chicago, with his big sap over. And even in Chicago, where right-riding out there were common, Impulse Dodd was a no-brain figure, with his six foot odd, free money ways, and almost perfect and calm."

He paused in front of a small, narrow door, whose one window was full of boys. Inside, the counter and shelves were packed with the same kind of goods.

"Just Santa," said Impulse, nodding. "I'll go in."

"Put in his thumb," he grunted, "and—does he pull out a plum?"

In the shop were two men, the one in front of the counter, and the other, a stranger, who was looking at the goods. Impulse entered, "I'll give you just two more days to meet you here, but the day after Christmas, if you don't pay me in full then, I will have possession."

As the man stalked out, Impulse turned his right foot and swung it back and forth thoughtfully.

"Can I show you anything, sir?" he asked a moment later, as Impulse turned to the counter with a half-regretful look on his face, adding, "It's just as well you don't do it, sir. He's a very nice fellow."

"That's so? I'm sure wish I had. I don't generally look back on things, but this city's getting me right scared. I've heard of unusual the last three days. Now about the boys. That matter is so easy unraveled. I reckon you'll sell cheap."

"I'll almost your own price, sir. There's only this one day to sell, and I can't hope to do enough. I've seen failure for a week past, thought for a while I'd have to come out in condition to start again. Now what can I show you?"

"Well, not only one solitary thing in particular, I reckon," scanning the shelves judiciously. "They all look right out of the window, and what I don't want to make me feel sorry to look at. What'll you take for the bunch?"

The stockholder moved along the counter, trying to arrange his goods more attractively.

"Look around all you want to," he said amiably. "And there is an easy chair back yonder where you can sit and rest, if you like."

Impulse followed him.

"No wonder you can't sell, if you treat all customers like me," he complained. "Now, see here," shipping a big roll of bills on the counter. "How much?"

"How Much," Demanded Impulse.

"Remember there's only one day for selling Santa stuff."

"Do you mean business?" asked the shopkeeper, a sudden lankiness coming into his voice.

"How much?"

"Fifteen hundred, if you mean the cash. But I warn you it's too late to sell much."

"Oh, I'm sure a hustler down home," cheerfully, "and I've a hunch I can move Santa goods twice the brisk the day before the day. Now let's see fifteen, with a fair per cent for profit and a little for good will makes it just two thousand. There you are," pocketing out another bill of two, and they replaced the roll in his pocket. "Now you've got to throw in your services as clerk for the rest of the day."

"But I can't—" began the dazed shopkeeper, but Impulse was at the door.

"Back right soon," he called. "Be getting the goods ready to handle quick."

Outside, Impulse glanced up and down the street. Half a dozen neclines were playing on the sidewalk, two of three were hanging behind a dry, a newsboy was crying his papers, other youngsters were dimly seen among pebbles and street vehicles, but Impulse put two fingers into his mouth and blew a blast that would cover a mile on the prairie. At the same

time the other hand was coming from his pocket with all the odds his fingers could grasp. These were tossed into the air. By the time they had ceased falling on the sidewalk, fifty more or less grimy little hands were clutching for them.

"Now, you bunch," called Impulse. "Just listen to me for a minute. What's the most me 'count boy in this neighborhood?"

"Crawfish Biddy," answered a voice promptly. "He never stands front, and carries every cent home to his ma-sen."

"And the most unpopular girl?"

"There was a short silence, then several of the boys uttered, "Raggy Sally," said one of them. "She's a smart sister Red's girl, and when we boys throw mud she fights like a wildcat."

"And gives all of you a mighty good drubbing, I hope," commented Impulse. "Now, boys, the two who bring Crawfish Biddy and Raggy Sally to me get a four-bit piece each, and tell them they'll get mother for coming. Now, the lot of you come back, for the show isn't half over."

Ten minutes later, Crawfish Biddy and Raggy Sally stood in front of him. Impulse placed a hand upon a shoulder of each.

"These two are going to be little Santas and give you all a right nice

present by and by," he called to the rapidly increasing crowd of neclines. "Mind, you'll owe it in part to them. Now stampede into the streets and alleys of the neighborhood and corral every boy and girl you can find, and bring 'em here. Just an hour from now this store'll commence to give out presents, and you'll all get one. Nobody will be missed. Hit the street now, the whole lot of you except these two."

In an hour, the door was thrown open and the rush began, with half a thousand wheezing youngsters to make the assault. It was short work, the pillaging of the store, and in forty minutes all was over. And then, just as the hilarious present bearers were scattering into every street and alley, an automobile swerved out from the street traffic and stopped at the curb. It was an old gentleman and a lady and several girls. The gentleman motioned some of the neclines to the side of the car, where they were questioned as to the extraordinary spectacle. Then a few words passed between the occupants of the car, after which one of the girls alighted and came to the store. Crawfish Biddy and Raggy Sally were just outside the door, with their arms full.

"You're the little Santa's," smiled the young lady, as she took their hands. "I just know you had a big time. Then she entered the store and went straight to Impulse.

"Mr. Santa Claus, I believe, sir," she began.

"Why—no—no," stammered Impulse, turning red. "Only—er—just as a sort of advance agent, named Impulse—I mean 'Impulse'."

"The girl looks into a ringing laugh. "Impulse! I like that," she cried. "Now, Impulse Dodd, have you any definite arrangement for the Christmas holidays—any binding engagement, I mean?"

"No—no, nothing except to tramp side walks and say 'Howdy' to every stranger who'll let me."

"Good! Then there's nothing in the way of our invitation. You see, we're having a houseful of company for the holiday week, and papa and mamma suggested that I ask you. Papa owns a ranch out West, and he says he knows how a stranger must feel in a city at Christmas time, and he thinks a man who can do what you've just done will certainly be in requisition to our party. And I may add we all feel the same way. You'll come? There is room in our machine."

Impulse nodded. He lacked words fitting to the occasion. A week at a house party! Good! wouldn't that be stuff to tell the boys at the ranch. Start back the day after Christmas! Who? He? No, sure! That would be rank foolishness. Not till the last gun was fired.

So he walked out to the automobile with the girl, with never a thought of the emptied store behind, or of the heaving, misty-eyed man who would now stock up again without the helpful skeleton of a creditor to glare at him over the goods. And as Dodd entered the automobile, one of the girls afterwards declared that she heard him murmur, "And pulled out a plum," though she could not understand why. It was just one of his funny ways.

SKAGGS

Rev. Richard Hamilton is visiting his sister, Mary M. Holbrook. Lonnie C. Skaggs who had been blind hunting with Dr. Brounha Spaul of Louisa, returned home this week.

Mrs. Angie Vanover is very sick.

P. P. Trolbrook who has become quite rich in this oil field, gave each of his three daughters a \$500 check for a Christmas present—Mrs. Ernest Joyce of Flat Gap, Mrs. H. R. Skaggs of Metabergs and Miss Grettie Holbrook who is yet with her parents.

Mrs. Elva Skaggs was visiting Florence Holbrook Tuesday.

Mrs. Della Heeter was shopping at Skaggs Saturday.

There is quite a stir in the local Union school this week. The teacher has been teaching that each star is a world peopled as this world on which we live, only they are a much larger race, and that Thomas A. Edison has been talking to those people. That airships will soon be making round trips in 10 minutes. Amos Pothooks is opposed to it saying there is too much education and if such teaching is allowed it will soon upset everybody's idea of things. He and Pete Corbitts say the stars were made to give light at night and that there is just one big hell and one big heaven, and if you misbehave you are sure to get the other. They say the stars all look alike to them.

HEWLETT, W. VA.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rice and daughter left Monday for Huntington where they expect to make their home. We are sorry to see them leave as they are excellent neighbors and will be greatly missed by the people of this place.

Bill Alley was transacting business at Hewlett Saturday.

Our teacher, Miss Alma Robins, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents on Taylor's creek.

Mrs. Elva Dean and daughter were shopping in Louisa Saturday.

Orley Hatfield spent Sunday with Donald and John Hewlett.

Mrs. Shirley Vanhook was the Sunday guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Phillips.

Bill Lear and Emory Bellamy were business callers in Fort Gay Saturday.

Miss Flora Lyman and Miss Annas Lester were calling on Mrs. Cecil Hewlett Saturday.

James Phillips who has employment at Kenova spent Sunday with his family at this place.

Mrs. Louisa Lear was calling on her daughter, Mrs. Henry Sturgill, Friday.

Dave Miller, Jr., made a business trip to Crum Saturday.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce W. A. HAY, of Mado, as a candidate for Representative in the Legislature from Lawrence and Elliott counties, subject to the action of the Democrats in the August primary, 1923.

The sub-Normal School Site Commission will be wiped off of the state when the Courts get through with the matter.

The way to get better passenger equipment and service on the Big Sandy division of the C. & O. is through an appeal to the Railroad Commission of Kentucky and the Interstate Commerce Commission. If we could devise some plan to give the members of these bodies a ride from Ashland to Pikeville in one of the cattle cars used on this line for transporting human beings at 4356 per mile the battle would be over.

The price of Chesapeake & Ohio stock has advanced several points upon the prospect of the road changing hands. This means the general verdict is that any kind of a change must be for the better.

Don't Forget The Legislature.

When nearly a year ago The Courier-Journal called upon the people of Kentucky to cut loose from the politicians and draft a business man for Governor it also appealed to them to complete their good work by drafting a business Legislature. That appeal is repeated now, with added emphasis and with added hope of a favorable reception—a hope born of the response throughout the State to the movement for a business Governor.

The right sort of Governor can do something without the right sort of Legislature to redeem Kentucky from the disastrous plight into which the politicians have got it, but if he is to rescue the affairs of the State from the control of the politicians and the lobby he must have the cooperation of a Legislature which is uncontrolled by the politicians and the lobby.

The politicians and the lobby work together. The lobby is the lobby of those interests which make it a part of their business to see that the Government of the State is in the hands of their friends. The politicians are the politicians whom they can convince that the welfare of the politicians and the welfare of the interests are inseparable. They operate together for mutual gain, and they have no more fertile field of operations than the Legislature.

They usually control the Legislature. It makes no difference which political party nominally controls it. That should be borne in mind by the people of Kentucky who hope to bring about a new order by the election of a Governor who will serve the interests of the Commonwealth instead of the lobby and his own political ambitions. There are always good men in every Legislature, but they constitute a minority, at the mercy of a majority, who serve a lobby that does not regard any member a good man who does not serve it.

The lobby does not intend that the next Legislature shall differ in this respect from previous Legislatures. It is already at work in both parties in cubbing candidates on whom it believes, or knows, it could depend at Frankfort. And it will show up with its customary majority of the next Legislature unless the people to whom falls the election of a Legislator choose their own Legislature instead of allowing the interests to choose it for them.

The way to do that is to bring out their own candidates. To wait for candidates to bring out themselves is often to wait for candidates whose motives won't bear scrutiny. The unsolicited candidate is not always an undesirable candidate but he should never be accepted if there is any doubt of his desirability. It is not too early to warn the masses of Kentucky Democrats and Republicans to be alert and vigilant to satisfy themselves that the motives of any candidate for the Legislature will stand thorough inspection; that he means to represent his district and no factor of "invisible" government; that he wishes to go to Frankfort for the public service he hopes to do, and not for the betterment of his personal fortunes and the fortunes of his friends and backers in such devious ways as are known to be effective in the short Legislative session.

Where self-announced candidates cannot satisfy this inspection the electorates of both parties should look carefully over the field and draft candidates who are known to measure up to all requirements. Unwillingness of any man to be drafted should prevent the draft. Unwillingness to be a candidate is often good evidence that he is the right man to be a candidate, and unwillingness to be a candidate can usually be overcome when strong popular pressure is brought to bear on him.

Politicians who are resisting the movement for a business Government of the State allege that it is inspired by some coterie of scoundrels who intend to dictate the candidates. What The Courier-Journal is trying to do is to get the people to dictate the candidates. That is what is resented by the politicians who have been in the habit of dictating the candidates themselves. If the people of the State will pay no more attention to the politicians than The Courier-Journal is paying and dictate their own candidates for the Legislature and the Governorship as well, we shall have the new Kentucky which we have been talking about and dreaming about but doing nothing to secure.—Courier-Journal.

Pointed Press Comment on Current Topics

Cheer up. The next coal strike is nearly four months off.—Ashville Times.

The best future for Hog Island would be to make it a prison for profane writers.—Washington Post.

We aren't surprised that California voted for dry enforcement. There's a reason.—Columbia Record.

"Prosperity comes in cycles," says an expert, the best of which is the try-cycle.—Washington Post.

They are always appropriating public funds in Illinois to find out who has. American Landowner.

The primary reason back of the suspension of the Appeal to Reason is that it didn't. Philadelphia Inquirer.

A cultured man is one who has a lot of information that isn't worth anything to him. Indianapolis Star.

The election result sounds the call of the nation for fewer fence riders and more fence-busters. Richmond Times Dispatch.

The Sultan of Turkey insists that he has not quit his job just because he ran away from it. He talks like a strikers. Canton News.

Russia is to have a new minister for trade and commerce. What will to her most good is an evangelist to stage a revival. Manila Bulletin.

Now that the dapper is disappearing, we must look about for something else to blame for everything. Duquesne American Tribune.

It is just as well that justice is blind; she might not like some of the things done in her name if she could see them. Sioux City Journal.

A Dallas court says a man has the right to get drunk in his own home. Thus is the sanctity of the home preserved. Dallas News.

Henry Ford tells young men to spend something on themselves. Buy a driver, of course. Wall Street Journal.

Some of the big guns were silenced on that November 11, but others at once began work on their memoirs. Anderson Herald.

The resignation of Senator Newberry is a hard blow to the orators who have been demanding it. American Landowner.

American generally regret that dollars for Near Eastern relief can not be accompanied by bullets for Turkish murderers. Pueblo Chieftain.

We have always viewed with sympathy and approval the club activities of the women, but their gun activities alarm us. Columbia Record.

Prohibition has come to stay. The people who say it won't last need to talk the same way about grapefruit and now they like it. Toledo Blade.

A Chicago woman shot her husband when he wouldn't go to church. She was going to get him to heaven one way or another. American Landowner.

Henry Ford makes \$24,926.41 a day. We are glad we are not Henry. We could never have nerve enough to make a day off. American Landowner (Chicago).

The Massachusetts ministry uncommensally "nothing for nothing" for Italy. That is an improvement upon the "something for nothing" policy other European diplomats have pursued in recent years. Be the Times.

ALWAYS AT WORK ON TIME ONE TRIBUTE TO WAMMAKER

PHILADELPHIA. Among the host of tributes to the memory of John Wamamaker, merchant prince, religious leader and philanthropist, which continued to pour into this city from all sections of the country, this one stands as unique.

"He was always at work on time." With these seven words, Mr. Wamamaker's first office boy, George W. Still, summarized the secret of the world-renowned merchant's success. The one time office boy, who swept the floor, ran errands, delivered parcels and gradually learned to do more important routine work for his employer, now is superintendent of the store.

Getting Ready. The matron of the dormitory screamed whisperingly to the sleeping aides: "Get up, quick! There's a burglar in the house!"

And with one accord twenty excited damsels leaped out and cried in unison: "Where's my powder puff?"



From Our Early Files

37 YEARS AGO

Dec. 24, 1885—Rev. Barwell Akers will preach at Masonic Hall Sunday. On her trip down last Friday the Ingonaur had on board three members of the notorious Tolt Hall gang. A reward of \$500 each was paid for their capture. The sheriff of Floyd was taking them to Maysville.

Lewis Skaggs, the Lawrence county giant, was in town this week. We have seen bigger men. Baby lates for instance, but Lewis is a pretty good sized chunk of humanity, 24 years old, six feet and 7 inches high, weight 366½ pounds.

H. T. Lytle's school will begin Jan. 4, 1886.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 24, 1897—Rev. Mr. Canill brought his bride to Louisa. She was Miss Ellie Richardson of Lee Creek, Ohio.

"Judge" Charley Lynch plunged into a hole near the upper end of Madison street and nearly broke his neck and his horses legs. A crossing is being put in but no light had been placed there.

W. S. Land, of the C. & O., was here, accompanied by Dr. Judy of Bath county.

Miss Carrie Snyder returned from a visit in Central Kentucky. Chas. Montville Flowers appears in Louisa in a dramatization of Dickens' "Christmas Carol."

J. E. Hobbs of East Lyna, W. Va., dies at age of 103.

JUST A LITTLE FUN

Even More—The bills had come in for building the young couple's home. "George," said the bride of a few months, "they are twice what we expected!"

"Don't worry," said the young husband, "I expected they would be."

"But George," she replied, "they are twice as much as that."

Logic. May twatching ball games "Where do they keep the extra bases?"

Ray "What for?"

May "Well, that man just stole third base." Try Goods Economist.

Everybody Mistaken. "Jack and Emily are going to be married."

"Emily?" I thought she was one of these modern girls who don't believe in marriage.

"So did Jack." The Harvard Lampoon.

Another Blow. Stranger to office boy "What editor?"

Office boy "What editor?" We put all kinds of editors around this point nothing but editors; just like the Mexican army, all generals and no privates." Washington Times.

Simple Directions. Fair Visitor "Is there a place where I can get a drink of water?"

The Goh "Certainly, Miss. At the south-east on the starboard side of the gun dock, midships, just for end of the dynamo hatch." Judge.

All Inducements. "It's got so these days," explained a young man "that you can hardly get married unless you can show the girl two licenses."

"Two licenses?" exclaimed the friend.

"Yes, marriage and automobile." Ladies' Home Journal.

His Ambition. Dick's parents are well meaning but a little too strict believing that "to spare the rod is to spoil the child."

When Dick was asked by a friend of the family what he would like to be when he grew up, he replied, read it, "An orphan." The Epworth Herald.

Faster than the Fastest. Orchestra Brummer "I'm the fastest man in the world."

Violinist "How's that?"

O. H. "Time flies, doesn't it?"

V. "So they say."

O. H. "Well, I beat time." Chaparral.

His Part. The dean was exceedingly angry. "So you confess that this unfortunate young man was carried to the pond and drowned? Now what part did you take in this disgraceful affair?"

"The right part, sir," answered the sophomore meekly, John Hopkin-Bloomer and Blue Jay.

Horrible Example. Drville Wright at a dinner in Dayton, was reproached for not taking up the challenge of the Smithsonian Institute that it was laughable, not the Wrights, who was the first to fly. "The trouble with you, Drville," said a banker, "is that you are too taciturn. You don't assert yourself enough. You should press your case."

"My dear friend," Drville Wright answered, "the best talker and the worst flyer among the birds is the parrot." Detroit Free Press.

Exchange of Courtesies. "What did you give your son for Christmas last year?"

"Ten shares of Arizona Pete, which haven't paid a cent since."

"And what has he given you this Christmas?"

"The collected assessment notices he received on the staff for the intervening year."

Bungling Work. "Now somebody gone and done it!"

"Home what?"

"Lost the names from these Christmas gifts I had piled in the closet!"

"Names of the people you were going to give 'em to?"

"No, stupid! Names of those who gave them to us last year. I'm afraid I may send some of 'em back to the same people!" Farm Life.

15 YEARS AGO

Dec. 20, 1907—Friday the 13th was a lucky day for the venerable Mr. Shipman, known as "Daddy" Shipman in order that his 79th milestone in the journey of life might be a "white stone." Indeed, relatives conceived and carried out most successfully the scheme of a royal dinner for that evening as a surprise to "Daddy." He returned from the store and opened the door of the dining room. A big table in the center a huge cake, having 79 burning candles and a feast lit for the gods. "Nice men of more or less venerable appearance surrounded this table each with a smile and a word of welcome for "Daddy." The guests were H. T. Hums, Jay H. Northrup, Jas. H. O'Brien, O. W. Wroten, C. A. Benn, A. J. Conley, L. H. York, J. W. Yates and W. D. Ruffe. Their combined ages, with Daddy's make 679 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Houston left for Bath county to make their home.

Mrs. O. B. Stump loses life at Buchman when struck by a train. Near the same spot her husband's mother was killed 18 years ago by a train.

Miss Lella Snyder returned from a visit to Miss Heloise Thomas in Cincinnati.

JESUS, THE PERFECT MAN

Remarkable Editorial Reprinted from a Memphis Newspaper.

From The Commercial Appeal of December 22, 1912.

There is no other character in history like that of Jesus.

As a preacher, as a doer of things, and as a philosopher, no man ever had the sweep and the vision of Jesus.

A human analysis of the human actions of Jesus brings to view a rule of life that is amazing in its perfect detail.

The system of ethics Jesus taught during his early sojourn 2,000 years ago was true then, has been true in every century since, and will be true forever.

There was a great thinker and learned in his age, but his teachings did not stand the test of time. In big things and in little things time and human experience have shown that he erred.

Marcus Aurelius touched the religious mind of the world, but he was cold and austere as broken marble. The doctrine of Rousseau gave a great nation moral and mental dry rot.

The teachings of Buddha resulted in a mental and moral chaos that makes India derelict.

Mohammed offered a system of ethics which was adopted by millions of people. Now their children live in deserts where once there were cities, along dry rivers where once there was moisture, and in the shadows of gray, barren hills where once there was greenness.

Thomas Aquinas was a profound philosopher, but parts of his system have been abandoned.

Francis of Assisi was Christlike in his saintliness, but in some things he was childish.

Thomas a Kempis' imitation of Christ is a thing of rare beauty and sympathy, but it is, as its name implies, only an imitation.

Sir Thomas More's Utopia is yet a dream that cannot be realized.

Lord Bacon writing on chemistry and medicine under the glasses of the mind working in a twentieth century laboratory is poor.

The world's most learned doctor, until a hundred and fifty years ago gave dragon's blood and the ground dried tails of lizards and chills and agues for certain ailments. The great surgeons a hundred years ago led a man to be were wounded.

Napoleon led the world at his feet for four years, and when he died the world was going on its way as it had never lived.

Jesus taught little as to property because he knew there were things of more importance than property. He secured property and life, the body and soul, at their exact relative value. He taught much as to character, because character is of more importance than dollars.

Other men taught us to develop systems of government. Jesus taught us to perfect the minds of men. Jesus looked to the soul while other men dwelled on material things.

After the experience of 2,000 years, a man can find a flaw in the governmental system as outlined by Jesus.

Car and Kaiser, president and so called give to its complete merit the admiration.

No man today, no matter whether he follows the doctrine of Mills, Marx or George as to property, can find a more principle in Jesus' theory of property.

In the duty of a man to his fellows no philosopher has ever approximated the perfection of the doctrine laid down by Jesus in His Sermon on the Mount.

Not all the investigations of chemists, not all the discoveries of explorers, not all the experiences of rulers, not all the historical facts that go to make up the sum of human knowledge on this day in 1912 are in contradiction to one word uttered or one principle laid down by Jesus.

The human experiences of 2,000 years ago show that Jesus never made a mistake. Jesus never uttered a doctrine that was true at the time and then became obsolete.

Jesus spoke the truth; He lived the truth, and truth is eternal.

History has no record of any other man leading a perfect life or doing anything in logical order. Jesus is the only person whose every action and whose every utterance strike a true note in the heart and mind of every man born of a woman. He never said a foolish thing, never did a foolish act and never dissembled.

No poet, no dreamer, no philosopher loved humanity with the love that Jesus loved toward all men.

Who then was Jesus?

He could not have been merely a man, for there never was a man who had two consecutive thoughts above the truthfulness of perfection.

Jesus must have been what Christendom proclaims Him to be a divine being—or He could not have been what He was. No mind and an infinite mind could have left behind those things which Jesus gave to the world as a heritage.

There is a merchant in Dakota, in a town of 5000 or less, whose sales in 1912 totaled \$650,000. It is a well known fact that 1912 was a bad year for business, especially for merchants and farmers. He says he built up this enormous business by advertising, and his success has been so pronounced that he is being called to many cities and towns by merchants organizations of the kind how to advertise intelligently. He says a good newspaper is the best and cheapest form of advertising that ever has been tried. He also says one other very important thing is necessary, and that is to "make good" on everything advertised. The store must have the goods; it must do all it promises to do. The advertising properly backed up will get the business. It will bring the people into the store, and the store that treats them right after they get there will prosper if it keeps abreast of the times and expands as the business enlarges.

The merchant referred to in the beginning of this article made his business successful in a year when the largest mercantile house in the United States, (a well known Chicago firm) lost sixteen millions.

SHOP IN HUNTINGTON and at Our Store

Whatever you have failed to find for Presents can be had here in some of our departments.

The Anderson-Newcomb Co.

On Third Avenue Huntington, W. Va.

Greatest Of Them All



A Christmas Tragedy—F'r Pop



BIG SANDY NEWS

Friday, December 22, 1922.

Local Happenings

Witch Elk boots 22, 25 and 18 inches at G. J. Carter's. 12 15-4

Mrs. Ernest Westlake has been quite sick the past few days.

Sol. Crabtree attended the funeral and burial of Sam Frazier in Fort Gay Monday.

The Louisa public schools will close for the holidays Friday and reopen January 2nd.

Dr. Shoups Foot Eazars and Arch Eazars, Campbell line for women and men at G. J. Carter's. 12 15-4

John Elswick, 21, of East, and Miss Goldie Miller, 18, of Adeline, were married in Catlettsburg.

Mrs. W. S. Stoll and little daughter, Donna Jean, have returned to Springfield, Ohio, after several weeks visit here with her sister Mrs. J. A. McCaskey.

Just received a new supply of Vanette sweaters. Best one on the market. Non-electric. G. J. Carter, agent. 21

A postoffice has been established at Dinwiddie, Harlan county, near Kenner. Andrew Jellett has been appointed postmaster at Beaver, Floyd county, to succeed Joseph Reynolds.

Leander Borders was brought to the hospital at this place last Saturday from his home on Georgia Ave. He has been suffering for some time with some trouble of the foot and is here for treatment.

FOR SALE:—A number of houses and lots. Some in the upper part and some in the lower part of Louisa, rated from \$100 to \$1000. Lot prices and terms see H. C. 10 14-233, Louisa, Ky. 8 15-4

Many orders are being received for the Big Sandy News to be sent as Christmas presents. The paper is just time to have us notify your friends on one of our special gift cards that you have ordered the paper sent.

Paul H. Moore, of Mattle, was in Louisa Wednesday. He recently returned from New York and Philadelphia. He has been in the service a number of years, spent three years in France, was in the Philippines a while and has been in 12 States. He is at the home of his grandfather at Mattle where he will spend the holidays.

Daily Airplane Flights

Louisia to Blaine

Starting Tuesday, December 19, I will make daily round trips from Louisa to Blaine by airplane, weather permitting to carry passengers. Will leave Louisa at 9:30 to 10 a. m. The flight each way consumes 15 minutes. Will remain at Blaine not longer than 20 minutes. Can carry two passengers. Will try this out for two weeks and if enough business develops, I will establish the line permanently. Flights may not be made in rain storms, as there is no protection for passengers. 21 JOHN P. WOOD

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of the late Willard L. Hays to please file same with me at my address given below, proven according to law (see Section 2578 of the Kentucky Statutes). And all persons indebted to the above named decedent will please call and settle with me. M. F. CONLEY, Administrator of the estate of Willard L. Hays, Louisa, Kentucky. 12 15-4

YATESVILLE

Dennie Atkins is expecting to visit his cousin Clyde Atkins near Cannonburg Christmas.

Miss Gypsy Blankenship and Grace Crank were in Louisa Saturday. Ernest Jordan is on the sick list. Jay Atkins was visiting home folks Friday night.

Miss Otis Cusky was visiting Miss Grace Crank Sunday.

Dennie Atkins was in Fairburg Saturday.

R. F. Crank is visiting his brother at Catlettsburg who is very ill.

J. D. Atkins has returned from Boyd county. FARMER BOY.

Christmas Candy

Choice Gift Boxes, All Sizes.

We solicit your orders for holiday dinners. We will have fruits, nuts, oysters, cranberries, and everything good to eat.

W. H. Berry THE GROCER

Telephone 55

Louisia - Kentucky

POTTER

CHRISTMAS TREE AT POTTER

Christmas program for Saturday night, December 23, 1922.

Opening song—A Song of Welcome.

Prayer by Mrs. Burke.

Opening address by J. H. Slom.

Christmas talk by Jay Short.

Recitation—Mother Goose Up-To-Date—Hermia Jones.

"At Christmas Time," by 9 girls.

Recitation—Just "Tire Christmas"—Wesley Saulsherry.

"Christmas Dreams," by 3 children.

Recitation—All He Wants—Stanton Campbell.

Song—Jolly Old Kris Krinkle.

Dialogue—Not Too Little To Help by two children.

"Merry Christmas," by 14 boys.

"What Makes Christmas?" by six boys.

Song—Christmas Bells.

Tableaux of Christmas scenes.

"A Busy Time,"

Recitation—A Letter to Santa Claus—by Sarah Mae Collins.

Song—Merry, Merry Christmas.

Dialogue—Christmas Helpers—by 9 children.

Recitation—If You're Good—by Garret Waller.

Song—Good Santa Claus.

Dialogue—A Christmas Clock—by 12 children.

Recitation—Jumelle's Letter to Santa Claus—by Claude Burke.

Recitation—A Christmas Secret—by Annie Skene.

Song—O, Little Town of Bethlehem.

Recitation—A Christmas Song—by James E. Jones.

Dialogue—The Colored Candles—by 8 children.

Recitation—A Christmas Telephone—by Milton McGuire.

Recitation—The Toys He Doesn't Like—by Robert Lys.

Song—Pass the Sunshine.

Recitation—Annie and Willie's Prayer—by Emogene McGuire.

Dialogue—The Hippy Hop Girls—by four girls.

Recitation—A Hard Problem—by Mary Skene.

Dialogue—Christmas Advice—by 5 children.

Recitation—Christmas Company—by Louise Collinsworth.

Song—Away in a Manger.

Dialogue—The Runaway Stocking—by four children.

Recitation—The Crippled Holly—by Helen Skene.

Dialogue—A Christmas Disappointment—by Emogene McGuire and Helen Skene.

Recitation—A Good Boy—by Edgar McGuire.

Song—Silent Night, Holy Night.

Recitation—Ten Little Presents—by Virgil Moore.

Song—Joy to the World, the Lord is Come.

White Christmas—by five girls.

Recitation—A Fine Secret—by Zelma Skene.

Mother Goose's Christmas—a play by nine girls and seven boys.

Characters.

Mother Goose—Frances Copley.

Mr. Hen—John Skene.

Mr. Peep—Mary Skene.

Miss Muffet—Emogene McGuire.

Miss Muffet—Hermia Jones.

Cross Patch—Dorothy Austin.

Queen of Hearts—Emma Skene.

Old Woman who lived in the shoe—Miss Collinsworth.

Mother Hubbard—Jesse Skene.

Jack—Wesley Saulsherry.

Lay Blue—Edgar McGuire.

Humpty Dumpty—Frances Copley.

Tommy Tucker—Claude Burke.

Jack Herring—Charles Skene.

Simple Simon—Jay Moore.

Knave of Hearts—Mildred Boggs.

Santa Claus—Ed Skene.

Talk by Rev. Adkins.

Closing Address by Jesse Skene.

Distribution of presents by Santa Claus.

Extensively invited. Bring your presents and hang them on the tree.

MRS. L. COLLINSWORTH

BUCHANAN

Mrs. Annie Kinner spent the past week with her sons at Catlettsburg and Ashland.

Ed Jacobs and sister of Greensburg were recent guests of Mrs. Skene.

Mrs. Ben Copley and Chester Dryden were Ashland shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Ed Archer of Falls City, Neb., is here visiting her uncle, J. R. Campbell and Dr. J. A. Pritchard and family. She will return home immediately after Christmas to accompany her husband to Lincoln where he will give as a member of the Legislature having been elected the last election.

Mrs. R. F. Burchett is visiting her father in Ashland.

John Fletcher who has been sick for some time remains about the same.

Mrs. Lewis Berry who has been sick is improved.

Rev. L. D. Leard was a Huntington visitor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Kane and Mrs. Helen Smith of Huntington were over Sunday visitors with relatives here.

Mrs. E. D. Boye has gone to Washington to spend the holidays.

Raymond Burke and Miss Cornes Warden of Pritchard, W. Va., were married at the parsonage here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Smith are visiting in Huntington this week.

Nath Hyatt left Wednesday to spend the holidays with his daughter in Georgia. 1007.

TO THE OWNERS OF DOGS

OF LAWRENCE COUNTY

The dog law that was made by the General Assembly in 1918, will be the same for the year 1923. It has been rumored over the county that this law was repealed by the 1922 Legislature and every family allowed a free dog, but this is a mistake.

All persons owning a dog or dogs are required by law to secure a license and tag for each dog for the year 1923, on or before the 1st day of January, 1923.

Fees—One male \$1.00; all over one male, \$2.00 each. One female \$2.00; all over one female, \$4.00 each.

In applying for dog license please do not forget to state the breed, sex, age, and color of your dogs. Enclose the fee as stated above and I will mail your license and tag to you by return mail.

I have the license and tags on hand now for 1923 and they will be issued direct from this office. Get your tag before January 1, 1923.

Respectfully yours,
CHAS. M. EDWARDS
Clerk Lawrence County Court.

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It is The Christmas Season.

By Whittier.

Since that luminous night went by.

The whole earth is our Bethlehem.

In forest glade, on hillside main.

Julian's light, Nehemiah's pain.

By any shore or mountain or sea.

Where faith and hope and love abide.

And self is lost in human eyes.

And heaven descends to human eyes.

There Christ, the Lord, is born again.

There is His new nativity.

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HIGH SCHOOL NEWS.

The Louisa High School will close Friday, Dec. 22, at 3 p. m. for the holiday vacation, and will resume its work again January 2nd at 8:15 a. m. The first two weeks after the vacation will largely be taken up in a review of the semester's work and the semester examinations. The second semester will begin on January 15th. Let me urge everyone who is thinking of taking the second semester work to be present on January 15th and get started with the beginning of the work. To delay a few weeks makes the work more difficult for the student and teacher. Classes will be arranged for all who come prepared for high school work. We are expecting the largest enrollment in the history of the school. The public is cordially invited to the opening of the second semester on January 15th at 8:15 a. m. S. R. GORMLEY, Principal.

TO OUR PATRONS:

The report cards will be given out to the students Friday morning. These cards will contain the grades for the first four months of the school year. Look over these reports carefully, and see just what your son or daughter has done in the four months. If these grades are not what they should be, find out why. Talk to the student and the teacher. The student should have a little conversation with the teacher. The parents would help wonderfully, and be greatly appreciated by the Principal.

The Degradation of Christmas.

Jesus St. Nicholas. Santa Claus. There is "some of the saddest deceptions of the human mind," says the author of "The Degradation of Christmas," but it has grown into that "economic frenzy" the Christmas. It is not the time when the birth of our Lord is celebrated but the time when we think only of giving or receiving gifts and eating the magnificent meal.

In no other religion has there been so lovely a vision as that presented by Christianity in its beginning. "Thine Love coming to the earth as a little babe," born in a lonely manger of straw in Bethlehem of Judea. The angels sang on that night, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good will toward Men."

Why do we substitute the face of a supposed Santa Claus instead of the face of Christ for whom Christmas is celebrated? Instead of his face we put up the deplorable face of Santa.

EDYTHE NORTON.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

We were glad to have Mrs. Kinstler and daughter Hazel and Mr. Queen as our visitors at literary last Friday.

Lawrence Woods, Campbell Cart, Fred Wilson and Paul Roberts went to Catlettsburg to the ball game Friday.

The Rev. Dr. Jernigan conducted the chapel exercises Monday morning. He made a very interesting talk which was very much enjoyed by the students.

Ed Leard wants some one to deride the question, "Is there a Santa Claus?"

The Sophomore class will conduct the chapel exercises Friday morning. A very delightful program is anticipated.

The patrons and friends of the school are invited to be present.

Several students have been absent this week on account of sickness.

Miss Alta Finley left Wednesday for Birmingham to spend vacation with home folks.

Miss Louisa Robinson will leave Saturday for Georgetown to spend the holiday vacation.

Prof. N. Q. Gilmer will leave for his home in Mississippi the latter part of the week to spend his vacation with home folks.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE.

The basketball schedule has been completed after some difficulties, both boys and girls are to meet the best teams in the valley including the Ashland Tom Cats and Kittens.

Neither team is by any means a champion yet but all who are taking interest in athletics are looking for these new squads to upset much hope. The school and fans are very optimistic about the chance they have in the games to come.

Schedule.

Dec. 29—Louisa boys and girls at South Point, Ohio.

Jan. 5—Catlettsburg boys at Louisa.

Jan. 6—Louisa boys and girls at Ashland.

Jan. 13—Paintsville boys and girls at Louisa.

Jan. 19—Chattanooga, W. Va. boys at Louisa.

Jan. 26—Pikeville boys at Louisa.

Feb. 2—Williamson, W. Va. boys and girls at Louisa.

Feb. 9—Russell boys and girls at Louisa.

Feb. 16—South Point, Ohio boys and girls at Louisa.

Feb. 23—Louisa boys and girls at Williamsburg, W. Va.

Feb. 21—Louisa boys and girls at Kernit, W. Va.

March 16—Louisa boys at Chattanooga, W. Va.

The basketball teams will be kept in training during the Christmas vacation. The boys practice each morning and the girls in the afternoon.

Mrs. Kermit Cyrus arrived Saturday from Milledgeville, Ohio. Mr. Cyrus and daughter had been here a few days. For the present they have taken rooms at the Cyrus home recently purchased by Jack Muncy.

THE CHRISTMAS PICNIC

By Mary Graham Bonner

10, 1922, Western Newspaper Union.

THE young people were going to give a Christmas picnic on the day after Christmas. They had decided that it would be no end of fun to take their skates and have a long day of skating, and to have their dinner out of doors.

They felt it would be particularly good for them, too, to get away from the sweets and holiday food they would constantly be abiding at if they were home.

So on the day after Christmas they went on the Christmas picnic and skating party.

They all had so much enthusiasm. Everyone was going to take part. Everyone was going to help and assist and work.

But when it came time for dinner everyone seemed hungry but helpless, and somehow the cold seemed to have gloved in their cheeks and hoarseness in their throats, but to have muddled them as the work of the picnic loomed in view.

The gay and debonair young man who called himself the life of the party and who had come garbed in knickerbockers and sport sweater was suddenly quiet. He said he was not much good at making a fire. Instead he seemed to admire himself and his handsome legs and to know the opening of the baskets. To be sure, he looked well and his attitude said quite plainly:

"The man who invented knickerbockers, without a doubt had good looking legs himself, and perhaps an enemy with particularly ugly ones, but he certainly didn't get the better of me."

But Jerry, who was always a good fire builder and upon whom the world always rested, despite previous protests that it would not this time, was the one now who built the fire.

And the rest of the typical picnic people did the usual things. There was the man who talked about building the fire so as to keep the smoke from blowing in the faces of every one present.

There was the girl who spoke from time to time in a stammer, sudden silences, wondering in turn if the salt, pepper, bacon, sugar, milk or coffee had been forgotten.

There was the girl who was obviously helpless.

There was the girl who kept asking what she could do to help, who would have needed any suggestions with a very bad grace.

And there was Milly, who really did the packages and cooked the bacon and saw that everyone had enough to eat.

The man who said most about not being hungry inquired with more than an academic interest as to what the filling of the sandwiches might be.

And there was the man who spoke from time to time of the good things that could have been brought if only he had thought of them sooner.

But Jerry and Milly saw that the picnic was a real picnic, while the others gave their eating services.

And after the picnic was over and Jerry was helping Milly as she washed off the dishes in the hollow water Jerry had saved in the old big kettle, he said:

"Milly, you're the most unselfish girl I've ever known. Different from everyone. I've always thought so. And don't you think we'd make a good team—not only on a picnic but through life?"

And Milly answered: "That's very much the way I've thought about you, Jerry."

So that you see, Milly and Jerry weren't so much cheated at that picnic as you might have thought. In fact, they had a very merry Christmas picnic!

At the Christmas Party.

The wise hostess wishes to prevent her young guests from pulling off and remaining with their escorts the entire evening. To change partners in a novel and entertaining way in the course of the evening, have ready a circle of green cardboard divided into as many sections as there are girls present. Write a girl's name in each division. Now cut out a large red pinwheel star, with a white arrow pointed on one of the points, and fasten this star to the center of the cardboard circle by means of a large pin. Each boy in turn comes up and spins the star, and the number whose name is indicated when the white arrow comes to rest is awarded him a partner. Of course, if a girl's name has already been chosen the boy must spin again. This spinning star will result in much mirth for the young people.

Remember you still have time to remember your friends by sending them the NEWS as a Christmas gift. Only \$1.50 a year, and worth it.

CARTER'S



You can't put it off any longer. Christmas is here and gifts must be selected. They are here -- plenty of them -- awaiting your selection. You'll have to hurry. Only three days more.

- Silk Mufflers
- Bath Slippers and Robes
- Silk Half Hose
- Wool Mufflers
- Silk Pajamas
- Gloves for Men and Women
- Wool Clocked Half Hose
- Fancy Vests
- Leather Goods
- Silk Neckwear, Hosiery,
- Wool Dressing Gowns
- Silk Dressing Gowns
- Silk and Madras Shirts
- Sweaters and Furs
- House Slippers
- Umbrellas
- Baby Blankets and Quilts
- Dolls and Toys

Prices Are Market At The Lowest Possible Figure.

COME A' JUMPING

G. J. CARTER

The Store Ahead

Louisia, Kentucky

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOTES.

H. S. Early, Minister.

On account of inclement weather and sickness a few of our good brethren were compelled to remain at their homes. We are praying for their speedy recovery.

The S. S. scholars will receive their treat on Lord's day morning, and will render a short appropriate program.

To the public:—Don't forget that we are now having services every Sunday. The congregations are increasing in numbers and interest. We appreciate it and invite your return; bring your friends.

Bible school at 9:30 a. m.

Communion and preaching 10:30.

Evening song and preaching 6:30.

Wednesday prayer and praise 6:30.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The Church of Friendship.

The pastor wishes to each and every person in this city a Merry, Merry Christmas. May each of you remember the greatest gift and the greatest love, "Jesus Christ."

Sunday morning the pastor will preach on "How We Should Keep Christmas."

Sunday night the second of the series of sermon on Types of Women. "The Tactful Woman."

Christmas tree on Saturday night at 7 p. m.

Sunday school 9:30. Andy See, Superintendent.

Preaching 10:30 and 7

UP AND DOWN BIG SANDY VALLEY.

PIKEVILLE

Homer Huffman Killed.
Homer Huffman of Millard was killed while working on the new bridge across the Russell Fork at the forks last Monday when one of the buckets carrying concrete gave away suddenly and crashed down upon him from a height of fifteen or twenty feet. Huffman was cut about the face, limbs and other parts of the body, but his death, which occurred within half an hour after the crash, was the result of internal injuries.

The deceased was 19 years of age. His father, the late Anderson Huffman, was killed by a train at the Russell Fork depot in 1912.

Sewing Party.
Miss Sallo Vicens, Miss Virgie McComb, Mrs. J. W. Vicens proved charming hostesses at a lovely sewing party at the hospitable Vicens' home Friday evening. Beautiful chrysanthemums and shaded lights added to the beauty of the scene. Late in the evening a two course luncheon was served.

Missionary Society.
The Women's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church South met at the home of Mrs. Kate Ratliff. After devotional meeting, conducted by Mrs. L. L. Stone, business was taken up and election of new officers: Mrs. F. T. Hatcher, president; Victor Bevens, vice president; Mrs. Carl Bevens, treasurer; duos: Dixie Ratliff, secretary; Mrs. Kate Ratliff, corresponding secretary. Refreshments were served.

Raid On Stills.
J. C. Bentley, prohibition officer, returned to Pikeville from the Long Fork of Johns creek where he, together with a number of other officers, conducted a raid which resulted in the capture of two stills and outfit and the arrest of six men.

The men arrested were Paris Coleman, Thomas Coleman, John Griffith and Howard Hunt, charged with "moonshining." Anthony Coleman was placed under arrest when he attempted to give the alarm on the approach of the officers, and Claude McCown was taken into custody.

Killed By State.
Warry Goff, son of Paris Goff, of Racoon, was instantly killed by falling into the C. F. McCoy mine on Ferguson creek last Saturday.

Henry Adams was in the mine with him at the time. Goff had been testing the slate with his pick. Adams warned him of the danger of his falling. To this Goff replied he believed it would fall and by the time he was through speaking a force blew down from the 40 inch roof, caught his head beneath it and crushed him to the floor.

Adams, unable to remove the slate, for assistance. He returned in a short time and combined effort of three men was required to remove the slate.

Goff is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Myrtle Layne, to whom he had been married less than a year. That he had a premonition of the approaching tragic end was evidenced in his conversation a few days before his death. He had expressed a dislike of submerging, a wish not to be placed in a hearse and given some directions as to the music to be rendered.

Eloise White Improving.
Little Eloise White, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Golden White of the Pike County News who was operated on for club feet at a Louisville hospital recently, is reported to be doing nicely and to now be able to sit up. Eloise, who is an exceptionally bright child, is being treated through the agency of the Pikeville Rotary Club and is proving a most popular patient at the hospital.

Back From Hospital.
Mrs. Ada Kestley, Pikeville's heartiest woman, who was operated on for appendicitis at the King's Daughters hospital, Ashland, a month ago, returned to Pikeville Sunday night.

Mrs. Kestley rallied rapidly from the operation and was able to sit up on the trip from Ashland to Pikeville Saturday.

Mrs. Kestley is the wife of Benjamin P. Kestley.

In Honor Of Mrs. Greer.
Mrs. J. F. Record and Mrs. T. H. Harman were "to home" Wednesday afternoon at the beautiful Harman home on the hill-top in honor of Mrs. M. Raymond Greer of San Diego, Mrs. Harman, Mrs. W. P. Call, Mrs. Greer and Mrs. Record formed the receiving line. The spacious rooms were made more attractive by the use of quantities of carnations, chrysanthemums and ferns. Delicious tea and sandwiches were served during the afternoon.

Bride Party.
Mr. and Mrs. Linton Trivette gave a beautiful bride Monday evening in honor of Lieut. and Mrs. M. Raymond Greer of San Diego, California, who were recently married in Scranton, Pa. Five tables were in play.

Locales Here.
Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Thompson are spending a few weeks in Louisville and Frankfort. Dr. Thompson received his discharge as Captain Dental Corps in Jeffersonville, Ind., November 27. Dr. Thompson is attending the Ohio State Dental meeting at Cincinnati, Ohio, and expects to be located at Pikeville in the near future.

Ferrell Johnson Under Bond.
Ferrell Johnson was placed under a \$1000 appearance bond in county court here last week following examination trial on charge of shooting and killing Jim Charles on the right fork of Racoon creek early on the morning of November 25.

Silver Tea.
The Women's Club gave a silver tea at the home of Mrs. R. T. Gentry last Wednesday afternoon. Music was furnished by an orchestra throughout the afternoon.

To California.
Lieut. and Mrs. M. Raymond Greer who have been the guests of Mr. and

Mrs. G. W. Greer since Sunday evening, left Thursday for their home in San Diego, California.

Mrs. W. P. Call and Mrs. G. W. Greer entertained at a delightful Kensington Tuesday evening at the attractive home of the former in honor of Mrs. M. Raymond Greer. The home was arranged with decorations of chrysanthemums. A lovely salad course was served at ten-thirty to the guests.—Pike County News.

PAINTSVILLE

Masons to Move.
Paintsville Lodge No. 281, F. & A. M. and the Chapter Masons are moving to the third floor of the old school building.

Rev. Allen to Conduct Revival.
An account of a conference on Missions and Evangelism in the Georgia Conference Synod at Harry S. Allen will not be able to reach Paintsville until Sunday, Jan. 15. The meeting in the Mayo Memorial church will begin with that date.

Mrs. J. F. Prindle and daughter, Miss Loretta, are spending the winter in Vero, Florida, where Mrs. Prindle owns a large citrus fruit farm.

Mrs. Briton Spradlin of Denver, died Saturday after a few days illness with pneumonia. Her husband had died from heart failure only ten days prior to her death.

Mayo College.
Among the interesting features of school were the chapel services of Saturday and Sunday mornings conducted by Miss Hazel Williams. Miss Williams reads her Scripture lessons from memory and offers prayer with a devoutness that refreshes the soul.

At the Saturday morning service Miss Elma May Spears read a paper on Christian Education that shows her appreciation and understanding of this important subject. Tuesday morning George Wells discussed the value of efficiency and Miss June Meade read a paper on educated leadership. All of these students clearly demonstrated the value of preparedness.

New Quarters.
At last we are able to announce to the public that Paintsville will have a new postoffice beginning some time in January. The government has leased the new building of John J. W. Turner and he has ordered new fixtures and equipment. It will be a modern room and equipment and something that Paintsville has badly needed for many years.—Herald.

PRESTONSBURG

Wayne Hunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt, died Wednesday at the home of his brother, James Hunt. He was about 35 years old and unmarried.

Mrs. W. P. Mayo and sons left Tuesday for Oklahoma to spend the holidays with relatives. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Olga May.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. May will leave the latter part of the week for Cincinnati to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mink.

Mrs. Elizabeth Goble left Sunday for Richmond, Va., to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mink.

Mrs. Alice Hopkins and granddaughter, Miss Grace Layne, are in Cincinnati shopping this week.

Jack Cottrell has returned from medical school at Philadelphia to spend the holidays with homefolks.—Prestonsburg Post.

LONDON, O., R. 4

The annual revival meeting will start at Thomas chapel the 20th with Rev. Hyers as the evangelist.

The grades of Fairfield school will give a play "On Christmas Eve," Dec. 22nd. The Fairfield orchestra will furnish the music.

Mrs. Harvey Rose was called to the Grant hospital to see her brother Edward Shonkville, who is very ill. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Ryan and Mrs. John Corley were shopping in London Saturday.

George Grish who has been working for Nathan Ryan has returned home for a visit.

The Denison chapel church has organized a Christian Endeavor society. We are hoping they can go on with it.

Miss Anita Jones, our county nurse, was the guest of Miss Fay Crabbe of Columbus. Miss Crabbe is graduating from the training school of Grant hospital.

We are glad to know we can keep our county nurse next year. We feel she had quite a success last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and their grandson Ollie Smith were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Crum and family.—AN OLD KY. GIRL.

HICKSVILLE

Several attended prayer meeting at Mrs. G. W. Hays' Sunday.

Sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Rebecca Kelly. The bereaved family has our deepest sympathy.

Dale and Vess Stewart who have spent the past three years in Arkansas have returned to spend the winter with relatives at this place.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson was visiting her sister at Grayson Sunday last.

Rebecca Wright who has been at Hitchens has returned home.

Misses Lila Caldwell, Eliza Johnson and Opal Thompson, Messers, Clyde and Claude Sawyer, Willie Adams, Jake Wright and Dale Stewart, were visitors at Clyde Crummett's school Friday.

Mrs. A. E. Bush expects to visit friends at Ashland soon.

Miss Lila Caldwell was the Sunday guest of Sister McKelvey.

Mrs. A. L. Hicks and daughter were shopping at Oak Saturday.

Stella McKelvey spent last week with her aunt at Denton.

Beale and Jessie Dalton expect to visit friends at Jattie soon.

Mrs. Rube Adams was calling on her sister at Yatesville last week.

Let us hear from Lind, Overda and Jattie soon.

SANTA CLAUS.

CATLETTSBURG

Syrian Made Citizen.
Jasper I. Saul, prominent young business man here from Pikeville in the interest of taking out citizenship papers. He obtained his naturalization papers through the United States court and is now a full-fledged American citizen. W. H. Yost and W. H. Flannery testified as to his splendid character. Mr. Saul is a man of exemplary character. He came to America from Syria 18 years ago and has lived most of that time at Pikeville.

New Lumber Company.
Application has been made to the Boyd County Clerk and the Secretary of State in Frankfort for a charter for the Rice-Emerick Lumber Co. to be capitalized at \$100,000. The incorporators will be C. L. Rice of Charles, W. Va.; John Emerick of Catlettsburg, and William Salisbury, mayor of Ashland.

Marriage Licenses.
O. Ray Conley, 23, Lexington, to Miss Maude Pepp, 22, Catlettsburg; James A. Brody, 25, Frankfort, to Pauline Sizemore Knight, 16, both of Catlettsburg.

Moved to Ashland.
Van Buren Shortridge, who moved here from Lawrence county some months ago and who has been residing since then in one of the Justice residences on West Twenty-eighth street, is leaving for Ashland, Mr. Shortridge owns a fine farm in Lawrence county and is a stock merchant.

Local and Personal.
W. R. Akers is suffering from an attack of influenza. Mrs. Akers who is also ill is not so well at this time.

Rev. W. H. Hall of Beaver Creek was here a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Bond.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Emerick will locate in Ashland in February having purchased a handsome home at Montgomery avenue and Fourteenth street.

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BATAVIA, O., R. 4

Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Frazier announce the marriage of their daughter Clara to Mr. Edgar Zarmehy of Batavia, on December 12th. The happy bride and groom will reside at Cincinnati, where he has a position as electrician. They received numerous presents from friends and relatives. Refreshments were served and the party was enjoyed by all present at both serenades and shower.

Misses Jean Frazier and Marie Glancy were shoppers in Cincinnati Saturday.

Miss Audrey Meek entertained her friends from Xenia, Ky., from Saturday to Monday.

Z. T. Frazier has employment at Hillsboro as a traveling man.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Regan have returned home from a vaudeville tour in Chicago.

Mrs. John McEwen is recovering from her long illness due to paralysis.

Mrs. James Glancy and Mrs. Z. T. Frazier were visitors in Indiana recently.

Fred, Bill and John Frazier and families of Rising Sun, Indiana, will be the guests of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Frazier, from Thursday to Saturday on their way to their homes in Louisa, Ky.

Rosa and Emerson Hardwick are expected to be with relatives here through Christmas.

A revival has been held here by Mr. John Kilmer. Much good is being accomplished and more hoped for.

PLEASANT RIDGE

There will be meeting here the 1st Saturday night and Sunday in January by Rev. Hutchison.

Robert Berry of Genoa, W. Va., who was wounded on Thanksgiving day, died Thursday and was brought here Saturday enroute to his old home at Twin Branch for burial.

The airplane passing thru here enroute to Blaine is a source of great pleasure to all. We hope the trips will continue incidentally.

Bill Starr spent Tuesday afternoon with G. A. Haws.

Columbus Chaffin of Christmas spent Sunday with Allen and Miss Gee Hutchison.

Mrs. Wm. Barnett spent Monday with J. O. Pigg and family.

John Blankenship of Daniels Creek was the week-end guest of Tommy Adams and family.

Vant Wellman made a business trip to Louisa Friday.

Allen Hutchison spent Sunday with relatives at Evergreen.

Millard Bradley of Osle spent Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bradley.

Miss Gladys Bentley accompanied by Martin Adams, spent Monday with home folks at Yatesville.

Shade Chaffin and Harry Burchett of Christmas spent Saturday night with G. A. Haws and family.

Miss Erma Bentley of Yatesville is spending a few days with her sister, Miss Gladys Bentley.

Miss Gladys Haws will begin her Christmas vacation at home Saturday of this week.

Jack Wellman was the guest of Ollie Chapman Tuesday afternoon.

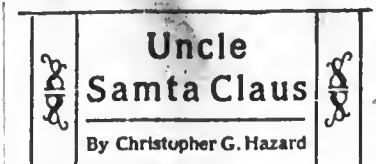
G. A. Haws has purchased a fine horse at Catlettsburg.

Miss Emily Haws was the guest of Misses Gee Hutchison and Gladys Bentley.

The relatives and friends of Mrs. Heister Grish were shocked to hear of her sudden death.

SNOW BIRD.

W. K. Steele, of Pikeville, has been appointed U. S. Commissioner by Federal Judge A. M. J. Cochran to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of S. S. Trivette.



Uncle Santa Claus
By Christopher G. Hazard

"Tell us a story, Uncle Peter," said the children, as they clung about their kindly relative on Christmas eve. "A story," repeated Uncle Peter, affecting surprise, but willing to draw upon his inexhaustible stock; "well, have you ever heard of Uncle Santa Claus?" "Oh, you mean 'No, I don't,'" said Uncle Peter; "I mean the old man with the plaid hat and the blue swallowtail coat, the striped breeches; the old man with eyes like stars and a smile that never comes excepting when somebody is treading on somebody else; the old man with the striped dog, whose headquarters is up to Alaska; the biggest Santa Claus there is." "All right, then," answered the children, "tell us about him."

"Well," said Uncle Peter, "he has his hands full just now and is doing all he can to fill the hands of others. The air is so noisy with wireless criers and clammers, there are so many hands reaching out over the seas, that he is almost distracted. Ever since he got back from the great war he has been repairing his damage and renewing the prosperity that it spoiled. And long before that he was in the chair of business. He surprised China by refusing to accept the great sum of the Boxer indemnity. He let the Chinese have their money when he had made them free, and many thought that he had a right to take that fair stand for himself. He is working hard at his task of making America truly American, a sober, industrious, self-reliant, prosperous, happy, Christ-mas nation."

"I'm glad I'm one of his American children," said Agnes, when Uncle Peter had concluded, with which she thimble all the rest agreed.

A little cloud of doubt had arisen on the Christmas sky, however, as Miss Ouida Gerlach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gerlach, arrived home Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in Ashland. Miss Gerlach is a student at Berea College.

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BRIEF NEWS

Six army men were killed in an aeroplane accident at Langley Field, Virginia, on December 6.

The Soviet government of Russia expects to recruit 5,000 steel workers from Ohio this month.

A marriage ceremony performed by radio is illegal, according to Attorney General Newton, of New York.

The British minister to Guatemala has been recalled on charges of being mixed up in politics of the republic.

Former Postmaster General John Wamamaker died at his home in Philadelphia last week.

The town hall at Norfolk, Mass., built in 1797, was destroyed, together with valuable records, by fire on December 5.

Women of the United States wear more than 1,000 and styles of shoes, according to one member of the Department of Commerce.

The license which authorized the marriage of Charles Dickens to Catharine Hogarth in 1836 was sold in London recently for \$150.

The national parks had 1,214,190 visitors during the past year, an increase of 11.93 persons over the total of the previous year.

Death in the nation's birth rate and in news in its death rate during the present year, as compared with 1921, is predicted by the Census Bureau.

A movement to make Theodore Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, the next Republican Governor of New York has been launched in that State.

St. Louis, Mo., was incorporated over 100 years ago. On December 1 it then had a population of 5,500, as compared with approximately 300,000 today.

Former President Woodrow Wilson is improving steadily in health, according to his physician, and can now walk without aid for the first time in three years.

China has agreed to pay Japan to amount to for the Shantung railroad, payment to be made in fifteen-year Chinese treasury notes with six per cent interest.

Major General Leonard Wood has resigned the office of provost of the University of Pennsylvania and will remain governor general of the Philippine Islands.

In the twenty years the national reclamation act has been in operation government engineers have reclaimed 2,775,000 acres of land. This figure included the construction of the Roosevelt Dam in Arizona, Arrowrock Dam in Idaho, Elephant Butte Dam in New Mexico, and the Fallstadium and Shoshone Dams in Wyoming.

Appropriations aggregating \$307,100,331 for the fiscal year beginning July 1 next have been asked of Congress by President Harding in the second annual Federal budget.

Work on the country's waterways will require \$71,515,110 in the year beginning July 1 next, according to recommendations submitted to Congress by the chief engineers of the army.

United States postmen received \$25,507,522 during the fiscal year. The cost of maintenance of the post office system was \$11,351,073. The number of postmen on the rolls June 30 was 547,095.

There is more gold in New York City at the present time than has ever before been gathered in one spot. The twelve Federal banks there hold \$2,000,000,000 in gold, or forty per cent of the world's supply.

Letters to the number of 16, 56,119 remained undelivered in the Post Office Department at the close of last fiscal year and more than 600 packages were undelivered because of carelessness in addressing.

An armored tank expected to revolutionize modern warfare has been successfully demonstrated in New York, where it swam the Hudson River and climbed the forty-percent slope to the rock cliffs on the other side.

During the year ending June 30 last the government received as royalty from oil produced on government lands the sum of \$1,758,257, and, in addition, \$1,100 a month was being received from natural gas leases.

Three American relief ships with Red Cross supplies have reached the port of Athens. The combined value of the cargoes is \$175,000. The last shipment of Red Cross food supplies left New York on December 15.

The German government fitted out 1,100 motor, 2,000 sitting rooms, 5,000 dining rooms, 10,399 bedrooms, and 1,600 kitchens for the forces of occupation in the Rhineland during the fall of 1921 and the last summer.

Minor disasters in the United States during the ten months ending October 31 last caused the death of 1,578.

The year 1922 has thus far shown an increase in explosions of gas and coal dust, notwithstanding the fact that a large part of the coal-mining industry was shut down for five months during the strike.

Friends of prohibition in the House made a clean sweep on December 15 in knocking out amendments to the prohibition section of the treasury supply bill which they declare were designed to weaken the enforcement of the Volstead law.

European requirements for wheat during the current year will be about \$10,000,000 bushels. Eastern European States can furnish about three per cent of this before the war they supplied about forty per cent of the requirements.

Mr. Nansen, Arctic explorer, is to receive the Nobel peace prize for his work as League of Nations commissioner in relieving the starving populations of Russia and Asia minor and for his endeavors to promote the brotherhood of nations.

The Senate Agricultural Committee, composed chiefly of "progressives," is fathering an amendment to the Constitution moving up the time of the presidential inauguration and the convening of Congress to the January following each election.

In a speech last week at St. Louis General Pershing made a plea for a larger American military establishment so that America will not, "like China, become the football of fortune, subject to denigration from abroad and possible disruption from within."

After eighteen years' sleep in a Senate committee room pigeonhole, the sale of Pines treaty with Cuba submitted to the Senate by former President Roosevelt emerged from its retirement on December 6 and was reported favorably by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The treaty relinquishes any claim of the United States to the island.

IN MEMORIAM

DONALD EDWIN HICKS.
The pale horse and his rider visited the home of Grover C. Hicks and wife and took from their family circle their darling baby Donald Edwin. He was born April 5, 1921, departed this life Nov. 28, 1922, aged 1 year, 7 months and 23 days. Everything was done that loving hands could do, but it pleased God to add one more beautiful jewel to his bright and shining kingdom.

Weep not for little Donald Edwin, but comply with God's plan of salvation and you will see little Donald on the sunny banks of sweet deliverance where there will be no more sickness, no more death, no more sorrow, no more pain. Suffer little children to come unto me and be baptized, and I will give you the Kingdom.

Sleep on, sweet babe, and take thy rest. God called thee home. He thought it best. A little flower of life that bloomed but for a brief span, planted now above to bloom with God on high.

Holiday Bargains Delivered in Oil Fields.
All for sum of \$2.15, one big 3 pound can. One can each per peach, pine apple, peeled peaches, blackberry, strawberry, apricot, sliced peaches, heavy syrup, one can pure bee honey 5 lb. can, and 1 lb. stick candy, all for \$1.45.

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